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OUR HOBBY

For several years, as hobbyists, we have grown all types and species of gourds, we can locate, and offer the following seeds from this year's crop. All seeds are hand-selected we package for sale, and are true to listings, in as far as is within our control. Bees cross pollinate, and often change the colorings, shapes, and sometimes the types, especially the ornamental gourds.

ORNAMENTAL GOURD SEEDS

Our special mixture of many types and colors	pkt.	.35
Our general mixture of larger types and colors	"	.25
Our special mixture of Mexican Giant Wartyed	"	.25
Our special collection of Wartyed (small types)	"	.35
Spoon: small, yellow and green stripes, straight or crook necks, a popular type	"	.25

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Bi-color: irregular colorings and markings	pkt. .25
Egg: small prolific white shape of egg	“ .25
Pear: large types in yellows and greens	“ .25
Pear: small type, mostly striped greens, very prolific	“ .25
Orange: size, shape, color of an orange	“ .25
Crooknecks: (Italian) striped and plain colorings, with assorted crooknecks	“ .25
Queen Pocket Melon: greatly perfumed when ripe, two inch size, beautifully colored	“ .25

SPECIAL GOURD SEEDS

Turbans (Turks): large protruding lobes, in red, orange and yellow	“ .35
Turban (Turk's Cap): ring lobe, in red and green stripes	“ .35
Turban (Japanese): gold, orange and yellow stripes	“ .35
Turban (Chinese): gold and yellow stripes	“ .35
New Zealand (gold mine): striped orange	“ .35
Guatemala: attractive green with deeper stripes, round or oblong shape	“ .35
Crown (Ten Commandments): white with ten incurved prongs with rounded ends	“ .35
Luffa (Dish Rag): length 12 to 24 inches. When dry, used for bath mits, sieves and other purposes	“ .35
Malabar: round, marked similar to a citron, retaining their natural colors for many years	“ .35
Peruvian: pretty bronze yellow, mottled stripes and plain	“ .35
Banana: long and thin, with deep stripes	“ .35
Cucumber: name implies its shape, grows in many colors and stripes	“ .35
Scallop: flat, deep golden yellow, attractive. Useful for decoration	“ .35

LAGENARIA GOURD SEEDS

Bottle: varying in size, long or short necks, used for many kinds of craftwork	“ .25
Bird-house: used for wren houses and other bird-houses	“ .25
Penguin: name implies its shape, makes nice specimens	“ .25
Swan: name implies its shape, neck small and thin	“ .25
Canteen: flat round gourd, 4 to 6 inches in diameter, used for covered dishes, bowls, etc.	“ .25
Club: length, 3 to 4 feet; base measures 5 to 6 inches in diameter	“ .25
Bushel: one of the largest, often grows from 12 to 24 inches in diameter, makes many useful containers	“ .25

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Maranka: long straight neck gourd, green with heavy protruding prongs, attractive	pkt.	.25
Dolphin: similar to Maranka, generally with crook neck grown close to the body of gourd	"	.35
Serpent or Snake: serpent shape; in growing these can be trained to many shapes	"	.25
Calabash: crook neck gourd, neck and part of base made into pipes	"	.25
Dipper: small bowl, with handle from 12 to 24 inches or more in length	"	.35
Peruvian Giant: very large, easily grown gourd, green, mottled shadings, or light green spots, often weighs 25 lbs. or more	"	.25
New Guinea: bean gourd, long and slender, 3 to 8 feet in length, grown on a trellis. In the early stage, is edible, cooked as egg plant, summer squash or mushrooms	"	.35
Special Mixture: of all lagenaria type gourds	"	.35

SPECIAL SEEDS

Corn: Indian, calico or squaw, our special selected	"	.25
Corn: Finger and strawberry, separate or mixed	"	.25
Martynia (Unicorn Plant): free flowering plant, seed pods used for decorating	"	.25
Okra: assorted 3 types, used as Martynias	"	.25

DAHLIAS

Prices quoted are for strong field-grown tubers.

Anna Aldrich: strawberry, with light peach shadings .....	.25
Alice Mae Galvin: Pink, shaded, and blended white .....	.25
Cherokee Brave: large red, free blooming .....	.25
Cornell: deep red, carmine tips, one of the best .....	.35
Chatauqua Dawn: large salmon peach .....	.35
Chalmers Dahliamum: apricot, with a golden sheen, large .....	.35
Carl Dahl: apricot, deep shadings of rose .....	.50
Dixie Winedot: white, flecked and speckled wine .....	.35
D. M. Morrow: large deep maroon red .....	.25
Emma Walker: yellow, shaded rose and splash of lavender .....	.25
Evelyn Chandler: large bronze, yellow shadings .....	.35
Governor Heil: one of the best orange .....	.35
Golden Lite: old gold and yellow, attractive .....	.50
Lord of Autumn: giant orange, wonderful bloomer .....	.25
Maffie: enormous carmine red .....	.35
Murphy Masterpiece: large full petal, red, heavy stem35
Monarch of the East: mustard yellow, tinge of apricot25

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Michigan White: pure white, a stand-by25
Mrs. J. K. Alexander: large buttercup yellow35
Pink Monarch: large deep pink .....	.35
Premier Winsome: mallow pink .....	.35
Peppermint Candy: white, speckled and striped apricot .....	.35
Royal Salute: giant red .....	.25
Railside King: yellow, marked orange .....	.35
Robert Blake: one of the standard yellows .....	.25
Son of Satan: beautiful shade of scarlet .....	.35
Tiger Rag: magenta unusual pencil markings .....	.35
Towers Empire: orange, fern leaf foliage .....	.25
Vinwell Paragon: buff, shaded cream and orange .....	.35
Watchung Giant: pure amber, yellow shadings .....	.25

DAHLIA COLLECTIONS

Twelve tubers, our choice, from above list	2.50
Singles: set of 6 varieties, named	2.00
Pompons: set of 6 varieties, named	2.25
Miniatures: set of 5 varieties, named	2.00
These 4 sets, named	7.00

GLADIOLUS

12 Giant bulbs, long spikes, large florets, named	1.00
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Write for prices on larger quantities.

CULTURAL DIRECTIONS

Gourds and Dahlias both require a sunny location. Dahlias need a medium to heavy soil, while Gourds do well on sandy, well drained soil. Plant either after danger of frosts. Gourds grow nicely on walls, buildings or trellis, also on the ground. Commercial fertilizers are more convenient to use as top applications. Gourds require dusting often to control the insects, such as the cucumber beetle. Thorough working of the soil is beneficial. Harvest dahlias after frost, store in a cool cellar in tight containers. Pick the gourds when stems show a brown condition, wash them in weak insecticide solution, dry and store in a cool shed for several weeks. Wax and polish with a good paste wax. Shellac or varnish is not recommended. All gourd seeds are in generous packets. All dahlia tubers are field-grown only, and mailed as priced in first to fourth zones. To other zones, add 50 cents for postage, per doz. tubers.

Any further information cheerfully given.

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